

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A portable collapsible environmental containment unit ~~control apparatus~~ comprising:

(a) a collapsible, unitary framework having a set of extendable vertical supports;

(b) ~~a~~ at least one collapsible unitary horizontal support element extending between adjacent vertical supports,

~~first collapsible supports extending between a pair of adjacent vertical supports along the lengthwise dimension of the enclosure,~~

~~second collapsible supports extending between a pair of adjacent vertical supports along the widthwise dimension of the enclosure,~~

~~a plurality of sliders mounted on each vertical support and connected to a bottom portion of each of the first and second collapsible supports and~~

(c) a flexible collapsible containment envelope secured to the interior of the framework and extending from the top of the enclosure containment unit downward to enclose the sides and bottom of the ~~enclosure~~ containment unit wherein the vertical supports can be raised to ceiling level and held in position against the ceiling to create a controlled environment within the containment unit ~~control apparatus~~.

2. (Currently Amended) A containment unit ~~control~~
~~apparatus~~ according to claim 1 ~~comprising,~~ wherein the
extendable vertical supports comprise a first and second set of
vertical supports, the second set being telescopically received
in the first set.

3. (Currently Amended) A containment unit ~~An apparatus~~
according to claim 2 including a collapsible, unitary horizontal
frame and flexible envelope adapted to telescopically engage the
vertical supports removably mounted at the top of the framework.

4. (Currently Amended) A containment unit ~~control~~
~~apparatus~~ according to claim 3 wherein the containment envelope
is open at the top to facilitate working in ceiling cavities.

5. (Currently Amended) A containment unit ~~control~~
~~apparatus~~ according to claim 4 including a removable opening
[[in a]] on at least one vertical side of the containment
envelope to permit ingress and egress of a worker when the
enclosure is placed in working relation with a ceiling cavity.

6. (Currently Amended) A containment unit ~~control~~
~~apparatus~~ according to claim 5 including a panel of two at least
~~one~~ ducts, each extending through the containment envelope from
the interior to the exterior of the containment envelope
~~enclosure~~.

7. (Currently Amended) A containment unit ~~control~~
~~apparatus~~ according to claim [[8]] 6 having a negative air

machine connected to ~~the second~~ one of the ducts for creating negative air pressure within the ~~enclosure~~ containment envelope.

8. (Currently Amended) A containment unit ~~control apparatus~~ according to claim [[6]] 7 ~~having~~ facilitating the use of a filter apparatus connected to one of said [[the]] ducts for collecting airborne particulates drawn into the ~~enclosure~~ containment envelope.

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10. (Currently Amended) A containment unit ~~control apparatus~~ according to claim 8 wherein a pair of wheels are attached ~~to the enclosure~~ at the base of the framework to facilitate moving the apparatus in the collapsed or condition extended.

11. (Currently Amended) A portable collapsible environmental containment unit ~~control apparatus~~ comprising:

a collapsible unitary framework including extendable and retractable vertical ~~and horizontal~~ supports,

collapsible unitary horizontal supports
interconnecting pairs of vertical supports,

a closed flexible impermeable envelope secured to the framework on the interior thereof, the framework and envelope when the fully erected condition defining a working enclosure of sufficient interior size to permit a fully erect worker to function; and

a four sided flange extension attached to a side of the envelope adapted to be sealably attached around a door opening to isolate the environment of a space located interiorly of the door opening wherein the framework and envelope form a portable self-contained package when collapsed ~~room within~~.

12. (Currently Amended) A containment unit control apparatus according to claim 11 having at least one closable removable access panel in the envelope to permit access to and from the enclosure.

13. (Currently Amended) A containment unit control apparatus according to claim 12 having at least one transparent section in the size of the envelope to permit viewing into and out of the enclosure.

14. (Currently Amended) A containment unit control apparatus according to claim 13 having at least one ~~part~~ port in the side of the envelope for the attachment of air pressure reducing equipment.

15. (Currently Amended) A containment unit control apparatus according to claim 12 wherein the access panel is in the side of envelope opposite the four-sided extension.

16. (Currently Amended) A containment unit control apparatus according to claim 12 wherein a second closable ~~two or more removable~~ access panels is ~~are~~ provided in the sides of the envelope in which the flange is located.

17. (Currently Amended) A containment unit control
~~apparatus~~ according to claim 12 wherein a closable ~~the removable~~
panel is provided in the top of the envelope.

18. (Currently Amended) A containment unit control
~~apparatus~~ according to claim 14 wherein the port is mounted in a
removable panel.

19. (New) A portable collapsible environmental containment
unit comprising:

a collapsible unitary framework comprising:

a plurality of vertical supports,

a first collapsible horizontal support extending
between a first adjacent pair of the vertical supports along the
lengthwise dimension of the containment unit, and

a second collapsible horizontal support extending
between a second adjacent pair of the vertical supports along
the widthwise dimension of the containment unit;

a closed flexible impermeable containment envelope secured
to the framework on the interior thereof, the framework and
containment envelope when in the fully erected condition
defining a working enclosure of sufficient interior size to
permit a fully erect worker to function therein;

a four sided extension attached to a side of the
containment envelope adapted to be sealably attached around a
door opening to isolate the environment of a room within; and

a first separable and resealable portion disposed in said
side of the containment envelope to which the four sided
extension is attached, wherein the first separable portion forms

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a first entrance/exit to the containment envelope to permit access to and from the enclosure through each of said door opening and said four sided extension.

20. (New) A containment unit according to claim 19 comprising a second separable portion in the containment envelope that forms a second entrance/exit to the containment envelope to permit access to and from the containment envelope.

21. (New) A containment unit according to claim 19 comprising at least one transparent section defining a portion of a side of the containment envelope to permit viewing into and out of the containment envelope.

22. (New) A containment unit according to claim 19 having a first port in a side of the containment envelope for the attachment of air pressure reducing equipment.

23. (New) A containment unit according to claim 22 having a second port in a side of the containment envelope for the attachment of a filter apparatus for collecting air borne particulates.

24. (New) A containment unit according to claim 20 wherein the second entrance/exit is disposed in a side of the containment envelope that does not contain the four-sided extension.

25. (New) A containment unit according to claim 20 wherein the second entrance/exit is disposed in a side of the containment envelope opposite from the four-sided extension.

26. (New) A containment unit according to claim 20 wherein the second entrance/exit is disposed in the top of the containment envelope.

27. (New) A containment unit according to claim 19 comprising at least one removable panel.

28. (New) A containment unit according to claim 19 wherein the first separable portion forms a first access panel that is removably attached to the containment envelope.

29. (New) A containment unit according to claim 20 wherein the second separable portion is resealable.

30. (New) A containment unit according to claim 20 wherein the second separable portion forms a second access panel that is removably attached to the containment envelope.

31. (New) A containment unit according to claim 27 comprising a first port in a side of the containment envelope for the attachment of air pressure reducing equipment and a second port in a side of the containment envelope for the attachment of a filter apparatus for collecting air borne particulates, wherein the first and second ports are each disposed in one of the at least one removable panels.

32. (New) A containment unit according to claim 19 wherein the four sided extension is removably attached to said side of the containment envelope.

33. (New) A containment unit according to claim 19 wherein the four sided extension is flared outwardly from its attachment to said side of the containment envelope.

34. (New) A containment unit according to claim 19 wherein the first collapsible horizontal support comprise at least one truss.

35. (New) A containment unit according to claim 34 wherein the second collapsible support comprise at least one truss.

36. (New) A portable collapsible environmental containment unit comprising:

a collapsible unitary framework comprising extendable and retractable vertical and horizontal supports,

a closed flexible impermeable containment envelope secured to the framework on the interior thereof, the framework and containment envelope when in the fully erected condition defining a working enclosure of sufficient interior size to permit a fully erect worker to function therein;

a four-sided, flange extension attached to one side of the containment envelope adapted to be sealably attached around a door opening to isolate the environment of a room within; and

a first separable and closable portion disposed in said side of the containment envelope to which the four-sided

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extension is attached, wherein the first closable portion forms a first entrance/exit to the containment envelope to permit access to and from the enclosure through each of said door opening and said four sided extension.

37. (New) A containment unit according to claim 36 comprising a second separable portion in the containment envelope that forms a second entrance/exit to the containment envelope to permit access to and from the containment envelope.

38. (New) A containment unit according to claim 36 comprising at least one transparent section defining a portion of a side of the containment envelope to permit viewing into and out of the containment envelope.

39. (New) A containment unit according to claim 36 having at least one removable duct panel in a side of the containment envelope for the attachment of air pressure reducing equipment.

40. (New) A containment unit according to claim 37 wherein the second entrance/exit is disposed in a side of the containment envelope that does not contain the four-sided extension.

41. (New) A containment unit according to claim 37 wherein the second entrance/exit is disposed in a side of the envelope opposite from the four-sided extension.

42. (New) A containment unit according to claim 37 wherein the second entrance/exit is disposed in a side of the containment envelope adjacent the four-sided extension.

43. (New) A containment unit according to claim 36 comprising at least one removable panel.

44. (New) A containment unit according to claim 36 wherein the first separable portion forms a first access panel that is removably attached to the containment envelope.

45. (New) A containment unit according to claim 37 wherein the second separable portion is resealable.

46. (New) A containment unit according to claim 45 wherein the second separable portion forms a second access panel that is removably attached to the containment envelope.

47. (New) A containment unit according to claim 43 comprising a first port in a side of the containment envelope for the attachment of air pressure reducing equipment, wherein the first port is disposed in one of the at least one removable panels.

48. (New) A containment unit according to claim 47 comprising a second port in a side of the containment envelope for the attachment of a filter apparatus for collecting air borne particulates, wherein the second port is disposed in one of the at least one removable panels.

49. (New) A containment unit according to claim 36 wherein the four sided extension is removably attached to said side of the containment envelope.

50. (New) A containment unit according to claim 36 wherein the four sided extension is flared outwardly from its attachment to said side of the containment envelope.

51. (New) A containment unit according to claim 36 wherein the collapsible framework encloses collapsible horizontal supports extending between adjacent ones of the plurality of vertical supports.

52. (New) A containment unit according to claim 51 wherein the horizontal supports comprise at least one truss.

53. (New) A containment unit according to claim 36 further comprising first collapsible supports extending between a first adjacent pair of the vertical supports along the lengthwise dimension of the containment unit.

54. (New) A containment unit according to claim 53 further comprising second collapsible supports extending between a second adjacent pair of the vertical supports along the widthwise dimension of the containment unit.

55. (New) A containment unit according to claim 54 further comprising a plurality of sliders mounted on each vertical

support and connected to a bottom portion of each of the first and second collapsible supports.

56. (New) A containment unit according to claim 54 wherein the first collapsible supports comprise at least one truss.

57. (New) A containment unit according to claim 56 wherein the second collapsible supports comprise at least one truss.

58. (New) A portable collapsible environmental unit comprising:

a unitary collapsible framework including extendable and retractable vertical and horizontal supports,

a closed flexible impermeable envelope secured to the framework interiorly thereof, the framework and envelope when in the fully erected condition defining a working enclosure of sufficient interior size to permit a fully erect worker to function therein; and

an auxiliary extendable and retractable framework and envelope assembly mounted on top of the vertical supports for vertical extension into sealing engagement around an opening in a ceiling or the like for isolating the environment above the ceiling from the space where the containment unit is deployed.